



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Livshits et al.

Application No.: 09/841,609

Filing Date: April 25, 2001

For: AMINO ACID PRODUCING
STRAINS BELONGING TO THE
GENUS ESCHERICHIA AND
METHOD FOR PRODUCING
AMINO ACID

Art Unit: 1652

Examiner: Kathleen Kerr

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NOTICE OF APPEAL

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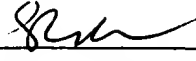
Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Appeals from the final rejection mailed October 1, 2003. A timely response to the final rejection and a petition for extension of time for two additional months is filed herewith.

It is not believed that extensions of time are required, beyond those that may otherwise be provided for in accompanying documents. However, if additional extensions of time are necessary to prevent abandonment of this application, then such extensions of time are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and the undersigned respectfully requests that such fees be charged to the credit card listed on the attached PTO-2038.

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